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April 27: Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL in Syria and Iraq

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SOUTHWEST ASIA – Coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq between 8 a.m., April 26, and 8 a.m., April 27, local time. In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted five airstrikes using attack, bomber and fighter aircraft. Separately in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted 26 airstrikes approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Defense using attack, bomber, fighter and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL terrorists.

"The Coalition struck Daesh military capabilities with a total of 31 successful airstrikes," said Col. Wayne Marotto, CJTF-OIR Chief of Public Affairs. "A successful campaign against Daesh will take time, and will require a sustained, united and coordinated response."

The following is a summary of the strikes conducted since the last press release:

Syria

• Near Al Hasakah, an airstrike struck eight ISIL fighting positions.

Iraq

Airstrike assessments are based on initial reports. All aircraft returned to base safely.

The strikes were conducted as part of Operation Inherent Resolve, the operation to eliminate the ISIL terrorist group and the threat they pose to Iraq, Syria, the region, and the wider international community. The destruction of ISIL targets in Syria and Iraq further limits the terrorist group's ability to project terror and conduct operations. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Iraq include Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Jordan, Netherlands, United Kingdom and United States. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Syria include Bahrain, Canada, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and U.S.

- Near Kobani, four airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroying five ISIL fighting positions and ISIL heavy machine gun.
- Near Al Asad, two airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units, destroying two ISIL fighting positions.
- Near Bayji, seven airstrikes struck six ISIL tactical units, destroying three ISIL fighting positions, three ISIL vehicles, an ISIL warehouse and an ISIL mortar system.
- Near Fallujah, eight airstrikes struck seven ISIL tactical units, destroying five ISIL fighting positions, three ISIL mortar tubes, an ISIL excavator and an ISIL vehicle.
- Near Mosul, four airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit, two ISIL mortar positions and an ISIL staging area.
- Near Ramadi, two airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units, destroying a recoilless rifle.
- Near Tal Afar, three airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units and an ISIL mortar position, destroying an ISIL excavator.



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